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ABSTRACT

An adjustable alphanumeric keyboard based on ISO standard format and consisting of two flat key contact mounting boards, one left and one right, corresponding respectively to the section of the alphanumeric keyboard actuated by the left hand and right hand in touch typing, joined by a hinge at a point corresponding to the keyboard C row, between columns 05 and 06, the outermost end of one mounting board connected by a hinge to the keyboard case or chassis, the outermost end of the other mounting board free to move laterally and pivot in the same plane, with means available to position said movable end, in order to give the mounting boards an adjustable angle, peaking the rows of key contacts between columns 05 and 06.

1 Claim, 7 Drawing Figures

